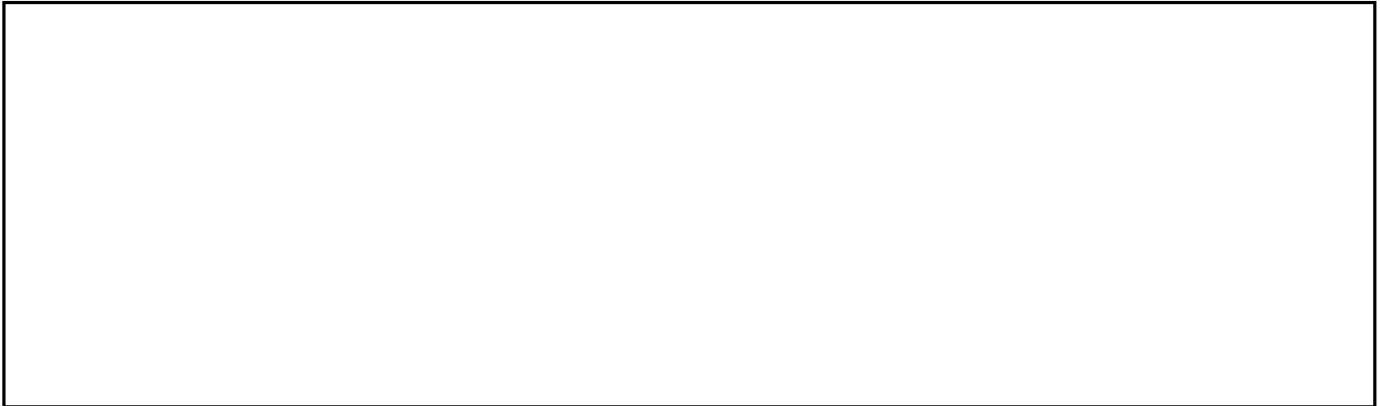


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7. [] On the Director's instructions attempted to reach Senator Gale McGee regarding a matter in connection with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, but found he will be out of town until Monday, 16 February.

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8. [] Talked with Steve Wexler, Counsel, Senate Subcommittee on Education of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, about the Subcommittee hearings on Senator Dominick's bill to establish a U.S. Foreign Service Corps (S. 939). Wexler felt that the two instances in which the Agency was mentioned in the hearings on this bill could be handled without any direct or formal response from the Agency. See Memo for the Record for details.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with the Senate Education Subcommittee Staff
on S. 939 to Provide a U.S. Foreign Service Corps

1. I called Stephen Wexler, Counsel for the Education Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, today regarding Senator Dominick's bill for a U.S. Foreign Service Corps (S. 939). During the course of the Subcommittee's hearings on this bill on 28 January 1970, references were made to the Agency with regard to our position on the bill and the number of Agency personnel who might be involved (see excerpt of testimony of Howard Mace, Deputy Director General of the Foreign Service staff).

2. I repeated to Mr. Wexler my earlier comment that this bill was of primary interest to the Department of State. Since State witnesses have expressed the opposition of the State Department and the Administration to the bill, further comment from the Agency would seem unnecessary. I pointed out, however, that there was one area in the bill of particular interest to the Agency. That has to do with the Agency's desire to maintain a flexible personnel recruitment program. I said we would want to maintain our own selection criteria and hiring standards regardless of the fact that members of the Foreign Service Corps had passed competitive examinations at the start of their student careers. Mr. Wexler said he saw no need for the Agency to make a formal comment on the bill.

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25X1 4. I have briefed Colonel White, [redacted] of the Office
of Personnel, and [redacted] and all are in
agreement with this position.

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